



URBANA SCHOOL DISTRICT #116

BOARD OF EDUCATION

MEETING MINUTES

JEAN F. BURKHOLDER

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER

205 North Race St. Urbana, IL 61801

Tuesday, February 15, 2011

7:30 p.m.

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Our mission is the Urbana School District #116, through the active engagement of the community, is to provide a quality education by vigorously fostering high expectations for individual growth within a nurturing and just environment, enabling each student to become a self-sufficient, productive, caring, and responsible member of a changing world society.

Mr. John H. Dimit, President
Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay, Vice-President
Ms. Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary
Ms. Brenda Carter, Member
Ms. Elaine Gehrman, Member
Ms. Peggy Patten, Member
Mr. Steve Summers, Member
Dr. Preston L. Williams, Jr., Superintendent
Ms. Lori Johnson, Board Secretary

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Dimit re-convened the meeting at 7:37 pm. Executive session was held prior to open meeting.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. John Dimit, President
Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay, Vice-President
Ms. Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary
Ms. Brenda Carter, Member
Ms. Elaine Gehrman, Member
Ms. Peggy Patten, Member
Mr. Steve Summers, Member

Also Present: Dr. Preston L. Williams, Jr., Superintendent
Mr. Donald Owen, Asst Supt of Curriculum and Instruction
Ms. Carol Baker, Director of Business
Mr. Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities and Grounds
Ms. Gayle Jeffries, Asst Supt of Human Resources

Absent: Ms. Susan Baker-Ory, Asst Supt of Special Services

3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA

4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS

Brody Walworth, Mattoon, Il
Judi O'Connor, Urbana, Il

Boy's State
Early Retirement

5.0 CALL FOR EXECUTIVE MEETING/SESSION (After current meeting)

6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice-President Rollins-Gay moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Member Carter. Motion passed.

7.0 COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

The following were CUSF SPLASH grant recipients: Urbana High School: Aimee Puls, Ellen Dahlke, Torance Douse, Dennis Migut, and Jacqueline Gerling; Urbana Middle School: Andrea Kirkland and Natalee Bretz; Yankee Ridge Elementary: Erin Claxon and Peggy Weinberg; King Elementary: Jill Shoda; Leal Elementary: Emily Delanty.

The following students were chosen to participate in the Illinois Music Educators Association All-State Band or Orchestra: All-State Band: Jessie McCall; All-State Orchestra – Glynn Davis; All-State Honors Band – Amy Shea; All-State Honors Orchestra: Jennifer Hill, Emily Otnes, and Andrea Ruiz-Gehrt.

8.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

8.01 First Reading of Proposed Working Cash Building Improvements

Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities and Grounds, presented as a first reading the proposed listing of working cash building improvements for 2011-2012. Approval will be requested at the study session, March 1, 2011.

8.02 Strategic Plan – First Reading

Donald Owen, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, presented the first reading of the District's Strategic Plan to the Board of Education. Board approval will be requested at the study session, March 1, 2011.

8.03 New Early Childhood Center - Schematic Design Work-In-Progress

Riley Glerum, IGW Architects, and Jerry Johnson, Perkins & Will, presented and discuss with the Board of Education, the Schematic Design "work-in-progress" for the new early childhood center. They will return with changes to their designs, March 1, 2011, study session.

9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

10.0 POLICY REVIEW

11.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent)
Member Patten moved to approve the consent action items, seconded by Member Gehrman. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye."

11.01 Minutes
 December 14, 2010
 January 4, 2011
 January 18, 2011

11.02 February Bills/Checks

Education Fund Bills	\$1,191,983.84
Operations & Maintenance Fund Bills	\$ 161,094.72
Bond & Interest Fund Bills	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund Bills	\$ 7,128.47
II Municipal Retirement Fund	\$ 69,915.71
Capital Project 2010	\$ 5,900.00
UIAC Fund	\$ 0.00
Life Safety Levy	\$ 0.00
School Facility Occupation Tax	\$ 935.00
Facility Sales Tax Projects	\$ 113,836.49
Capital Projects – Debt Certif.	\$ 42,696.00
Payroll	\$2,402,808.66
Adult Education	\$ 113,711.48

11.03 Interfund Loans
 The following interfund loans will be required to cover the necessary operating costs of the school district until the next Board of Education meeting:

<u>Amount of Loan</u>	<u>Loan From</u>	<u>Loan To</u>
\$ 300,000	Working Cash Fund	Oper & Maint Fund
\$ 100,000	Working Cash Fund	Transportation Fund

11.04 Personnel Items
 Approval of various personnel items were requested.

11.05 Life Safety Applications for 2011 Summer Work
 Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities and Grounds, requested approval of Life Safety Application for the 2011 Summer work.

11.06 2011 Summer School Dates
 Approval of the 2011 Summer School dates, June 6-June 23, 2011, Urban High School and June 6-June 30, 2011, Elementary and Urbana Middle School, was be requested.

12.0 ACTION ITEMS (Individual)

12.01 Gifts

Ed and Carol Scharlau, Urbana, donated \$1,000 to the Evelyn Burnett Underwood Music Fund at UMS.

Marcy Vancil, (retired USD116 teacher), donated the following to Wiley Elementary School: a variety of children's books and teacher/professional books.

Susie Billingsley, Carlock, IL, donated a personal suction machine to the ASSIST Program. The donation was valued at \$300.

Sarah LeRoy, Champaign, donated a fish tank, including filter, pump, hood, light, etc. and fish to Room 112 at Leal Elementary School. The donation was valued at \$100.

Stasz and Katherine Gorski, Champaign, donated a Sony 32" tv and VCR/DVD combo to Leal Elementary School. This donation was valued at \$300.

David Wilcox, Urbana, donated a variety of photographic equipment to UHS Art Department, valued at \$1,385.

Deborah Katz-Downie, Urbana donated \$100 to Urbana High School for art supplies.

Member Gehrman moved to approve and accept the above gifts, seconded by Member Summers. Motion passed.

12.02 Abatement Resolution

Carol Baker, Director of Business and Finance, presented to the Board of Education a resolution abating \$1,000,000 of the District's 2002 General Obligation Bonds, for approval.

Member Carter moved to approve item #12.02, seconded by Vice-President Rollins-Gay. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye."

12.03 IL Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Early Retirement Resolution

Carol Baker, Director of Business and Financial Services, requested approval of resolution to adopt the IMRF Early Retirement Incentive, as presented at the last board meeting, January 18th.

Member Summers moved to approve item #12.03, seconded by Member Patten. On a roll call vote, motion passed Aye-6, Nay-1 (J.Dimit).

12.04 Skyward Proposal

Carol Baker, Director of Business and Financial Services, requested approval to purchase new finance and HR software from Skyward, as presented at the last board meeting, January 18th.

Vice-President Rollins-Gay moved to approve item #12.04, seconded by Member Carter. On a roll call vote, all members voted "aye."

13.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

14.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

14.01 Status of FOIA Requests

15.0 BOARD REPORT

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Fisher moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Carter. Motion passed.

President Dimit declared the meeting adjourned at 10:52 p.m.

President

Secretary